

# THE Caledonian Mercury.

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EDINBURGH.

MONDAY, AUGUST 5, 1782.

## THEATRE-ROYAL.

The LAST NIGHT but ONE of Performing this Season.  
To-Morrow Evening, August 6. will be presented, (not acted here  
these several years) the OPERA of

### ARTAXERXES KING OF PERSIA.

Translated from the Italian of the celebrated METASTASIO.

Arbaces, Mr LEONI.  
(Being the last time of his performing here this season.)

Artabanes, Mr HAMILTON; Rimeus, Mr KELLY;  
And Artaxerxes, Mr DAVIES;  
Semira, Mrs MILLS;  
And Mandane, Mrs HENDERSON.

End of the Opera, a New Dance, called,

### FRISK AND FUN,

BY MR ALDRIDGE AND MISS CAPON.

To which will be added, A Pantomime ENTERTAINMENT, called,

### ROBINSON CRUSOE.

Friday, (in the character of Harlequin) Mr BANKS;  
Santoloon, Mr HAMILTON; Clown, Mr SPARKS; French Lover, Mr J.

Santoloon's Wife, Mrs CHARTERIS; And Columbine, Mrs MILLS.

Master of the Ship, Mr WOODS; Mate Mr JOHNSON;  
Principal Sailor, Mr KELLY.

Witch, Mr SUTHERLAND;  
Cook, Mr Bland, junior; Invalid, Mr Charteris;  
And Robinson Crusoe, Mr HAMILTON.

With the Original SAVAGE DANCE.

## WHITE WOOD DEALS.

CARGO from Dram, in Norway, to be sold in small parcels.

Apply to the Danish Consul at Leith.

## VOLUNTEERS FOR THE NAVY.

CAPTAIN JAMES FERGUSON being appointed to the com-

mand of the EGMONT of 74 guns, now at Plymouth, has di-

rected this notice to be given to his countrymen, that he wants and

desires their assistance to man said ship, where they may depend up-

on the best usage, and every encouragement in his power to which me-

rit is entitled.

Beside wages, victuals, and prize-money, they will receive his Ma-

je's bounty, as follows: Every able seaman 1 l. every ordinary sea-

man, 2 l. 10 s. and each landman 1 l. 10 s. Sterling, which will be paid

on mustered on board the EGMONT.

One tender is ready at Leith to carry them to the Nore, and from

there to Plymouth; and another tender is ready at Greenock, which

will carry them directly on board the ship at Plymouth: and all who

to serve under Captain Fergusson, will please appear and enter

in the Hon. Captain Napier at Edinburgh, or Capt. Drummond at

Greenock, regulating officers at these two places, who will pay them

ten pence per mile for travelling charges, from their ordinary place of

residence: and all who have served with Captain Fergusson during the

late war, either in the BRUNN or VENUS frigates, or in the INVER-

ARROW, line of battle ships, will be particularly acceptable

board the EGMONT.

By order of CAPTAIN FERGUSON,

JAMES BOWIE, M. M. of the Egmont.

Volunteers for the EGMONT, from Edinburgh, Leith, Newha-

ven, and the other liberties of the City, will also receive the Bounty given

by the Magistrates, viz. Two Guineas to every able Seaman, and One

Guinea to every Landman.

## RICH PARLIAMENTARY INTELLIGENCE.

HOUSE OF COMMONS, TUESDAY, JULY 23.

METGE begged leave to trouble the House with a few words,

of explaining what he had said yesterday in the Committee

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the present session, they were acquired by the virtue of the people and  
of Parliament. Our former Chief Governor Lord Carlisle, and his  
Secretary Mr Eden, were the advocates of Ireland; and they remain-  
ed, they would have rejoiced in granting our rights; and when they  
were removed, they continued the advocates of our constitution. It  
is therefore no compliment to his Grace of Portland to attribute to  
him the acts of his predecessor; it would be treating him with more  
respect to suppose him a man of sense, and conscious that he has no  
share in them.

The actions, not the words of any Government, are the marks, said  
he, by which I form a judgment of them. A nobleman and his secreta-  
ry, without ever having before been in Ireland, suddenly take up the  
utmost good will towards us—become the most decided champions for  
our rights—resolve to promote our prosperity to the utmost—resolve  
to root corruption from the land, and immediately set out post for  
London, to put these virtuous resolves into execution. Now let us  
look at what they have done: Are our rights, by any English act, fully,  
honestly, and irrevocably acknowledged?—No; the people do not  
think they are; and though every method has been taken to persuade  
them to be satisfied with what has been done, every method has failed:  
the most singular have only declared, that they accept the British  
bill repealing the 6th of Geo. I. as a final renunciation, and on that  
supposition are content. But the plain meaning of that declaration is,  
that if the repeal be not a renunciation, then they are not content.

Now, the most learned body in the nation has appointed a Committee  
for four months to examine this question, and enquire if there be any  
grounds for them to be satisfied, and they have rejected the great ef-  
forts of men in whom they formerly had a confidence, and who would  
now persuade them that the repeal of the 6th of Geo. I. is a renuncia-  
tion of the usurped power of the British legislature. It will then ap-  
pear, that the present Ministry have left undone what they ought to  
have done, because they professed no intention of doing it—they have  
lessened the effect of our exertions to restore the constitution; and  
now in the moment of danger, they draw away from us almost the last  
man, though in time of peace they indulged us in paying for near  
15,000 troops. Whenever we want them, we have them not—but we  
are sure to be burdened with them when we want them not.

As to the manner in which this Ministry have treated a number of  
worthy gentlemen, I shall not expatiate on it, because it was done for  
the purpose of making extensive connections to lessen the influence of  
the Crown; but there is one gentleman (Mr Coppinger) whose treat-  
ment has been as cruel as it has been unmerited—and I think Ministry  
inexcusable if he is not provided for.

Mr Walpole. I consider an address to a Lord Lieutenant as almost a  
matter of course. Did I mean to give any opposition, it should now  
cease, as I hold it unmanly to embarrass an expiring Administration.  
I would wish, therefore, to have this address pass unanimously, and I  
think by making few alterations, and leaving out some untrue asser-  
tions, it will, of this kind is that declaration, that England has fully,  
finally, and irrevocably renounced her usurped power of making laws  
for this country. The modification of the law of Poyning, if it passes  
in its present crude state, is pregnant with utter ruin to Ireland.

I am willing to give every merit that is due to the Duke of Port-  
land, but I will not deem him in the honours that belong to Lord Car-  
lisle. If we derive any good from the repeal of 6th Geo. I. our thanks  
are due to Lord Carlisle, for he recommended it to the Administration  
of that day; and, had he continued in office, it would have been done,  
but not in the hasty manner that it has; it would have been a man-  
ly, unequivocal renunciation. So that if the Duke of Portland has  
any merit, it is, that he finished incompletely the plans of his prede-  
cessor. Lord Carlisle has also the merit of the Judges bill, and the  
restoration of the final judicature to the Peers is certainly due to him.

I give much praise to the Duke of Portland for the Mutiny bill, and  
would even praise him for the modification of Poyning's law, if that  
modification was a salutary correction of the constitution; but as it is,  
I cannot give him, or the King's Attorney-General, any credit for it;  
it is ruinous and destructive to the kingdom; it is pregnant with the  
most confused implication; it will either totally subvert the consti-  
tution, or leave it an utter chaos.

The Speaker having put the question of the address, it was carried  
nem. con.  
Sir Lucius O'Brien moved an address of thanks to the Speaker, which  
was seconded by Mr Gratian.  
Carried nem. con.  
Mr Alex. Montgomery wished to know where the troops were to  
serve. The Secretary answered, that Britain was to be the best judge  
of that matter.

The order of the day for going into Mr Bute's motion for camp-  
equipment for 15,000 men. The motion being made, it was seconded  
by Mr Fitzgibbon.  
Mr Secretary Fitzpatrick asserted, that there was camp-equipage for  
10,600 men already provided, so that any more would be a useless ex-  
pense.

Mr Bute urged the necessity of the motion, as the enemy's fleet was  
riding on our coast, and Volunteers were not used to the hardship of  
veterans.  
Sir Lucius O'Brien said, the expense would be enormous, and it was  
too late in the session to enter on the business.

Sir Bayle Bache spoke to the necessity of camp-equipage, and all ne-  
cessary utensils. He said he had been in Munster, and found the peo-  
ple there averse to the recruiting service, occasioned, as he thought,  
by the fowling of sedition in and out of that House.

Called to order by Mr Walpole, who said no person should dare allude  
to him.  
Sir Bayle, Mr Flood, and Mr Wolfe arose together, and called to or-  
der. The friendly offices of the Right Hon. the Principal Secretary of  
State (Mr Hutchinson) interceded, who proposed a vote of credit to  
Government, to be applied, in case of necessity, to both the army and  
Volunteers.

After some altercation, Mr Bute withdrew his motion.  
WEDNESDAY, JULY 24.  
The House adjourned till to-morrow; and the Speaker, with the  
House, went up with the address of thanks to the Lord Lieutenant,  
for his just, wise, and constitutional administration.

Saturday Evening, his Grace the D. of Portland went in state  
to the House of Peers, and gave the Royal assent to the feve-  
ral bills, after which he made the following speech from the  
throne:

My Lords and Gentlemen,  
THE great and constitutional advantages you have secured to your  
country, and the wise and magnanimous conduct of Great Britain in  
contributing to the success of your steady and temperate exertions, call  
for my congratulations, on the close of a session, which must ever re-  
fect the highest honour on the national character of both kingdoms.

It must be a most pleasing consideration to you, to recollect, that, in  
the advance you made towards the settlement of your constitution, no  
acts of violence or impatience have marked their progress. A religious  
adherence to the laws confined your endeavours within the strictest  
bounds of loyalty and good order: your claims were directed by the  
same spirit that gave life and stability to the liberties of Great Bri-  
tain, and could not fail of success, as soon as the councils of that king-  
dom were influenced by the avowed friends of the constitution.

Such a spirit of constitutional liberty communicating itself from one  
kingdom to the other, must naturally produce that reciprocal confi-  
dence and mutual affection, of which we already begin to feel the most  
felicitous effects. A grateful zeal and generous ardour have united this  
whole kingdom in the most cordial and vigorous exertions, which pro-  
mise effectually to frustrate the designs of our common enemy, and to  
re-establish and secure the glory of the whole empire.

## Gentlemen of the House of Commons.

When I consider the very active and liberal part you have taken in  
contributing to these great and glorious events, I must as distinctly ex-  
press to you his Majesty's sense of the last effusion of your generosity  
for the defence of the empire, as I must return you his gracious thanks  
for the supplies which you so cheerfully voted at the beginning of this  
session. His Majesty's royal example not only secures to you a most  
just and economical application of the aids you have granted him, but  
affords you a most solemn pledge of attentive investigation into every  
means which the circumstances of this country will afford, to alleviate  
the burdens of his loyal and grateful people. To co-operate with you  
in carrying into effect this most benevolent disposition of his Majesty,  
will afford me the highest gratification; and manifest to you the senti-  
ments I shall ever entertain in return for the confidence you have re-  
posed in the sincerity of my professions for your welfare.

My Lords and Gentlemen,  
In contemplating the services which your unremitting assiduity has  
rendered to the Public, I must indulge myself in the satisfaction of spe-  
cifying some very important acts, which will most materially strengthen  
the great constitutional reforms you have completed, and which will for  
ever distinguish the period of this memorable session. You have pro-  
vided for the impartial and unbiased administration of justice by the act  
for securing the independency of the judges. You have adopted one of  
the most effectual securities of British freedom, by limiting the tenure  
of office in point of duration; you have secured that most valuable of all hu-  
man blessings, the personal liberty of the subject, by passing the Habeas  
Corpus act; you have cherished and enlarged the wise principles of tole-  
ration, and made considerable advances in abolishing those distinctions,  
which have too long impeded the progress of industry, and divided the  
nation. The diligence and ardour with which you have persevered in  
the accomplishment of these great objects, must ever bear the most ho-  
nourable testimony to your zeal and industry in the service of your coun-  
try, and manifest your knowledge in its true interests.

Many and great national objects must present themselves to your con-  
sideration during the recess from Parliamentary business; but what I  
would most earnestly press upon you, as that on which your domestic  
peace and happiness, and the prosperity of the empire at this moment  
most immediately depend, is to cultivate and diffuse those sentiments  
of affection and confidence which are now happily restored between the  
two kingdoms. Convince the people in your several districts, as you  
are yourselves convinced, that every cause of past jealousies and discon-  
fidence is finally removed; that both countries have pledged their good  
faith to each other, and that their best security will be an inviolable ad-  
herence to that compact; that the implicit reliance which Great Britain  
has reposed on the honour, generosity, and candour of Ireland, engaged  
your national character to a return of sentiments equally liberal and en-  
gaged: convince them, that the two kingdoms are now one, indissolu-  
bly connected in unity of constitution, and unity of interests; that the  
danger and security, the prosperity and calamity of the one must equal-  
ly affect the other; that they stand and fall together.

After which the Lord Chancellor, by his Grace's command, said,  
My Lords and Gentlemen,  
It is his Grace the Lord Lieutenant's pleasure, That this Parliament  
be prorogued to Tuesday the 24th day of September next, to be then  
here holden; and this Parliament is accordingly prorogued to Tuesday  
the 24th day of September next.

The following is the bill of retrenchment presented by the Earl of  
Aldborough, in the House of Peers of Ireland, the 25th ult. and post-  
poned by the late prorogation till next session:  
A Bill for the retrenchment of the National Expenses, and for the reduction  
of useless Offices and Boards, superfluous Places, Pensions, and additional Sa-  
laries.

PREAMBLE  
WHEREAS this kingdom, from a state of affluence in times of war,  
when its revenues were but small, in comparison to what they now  
are, is become greatly in debt, most of which debt was incurred during  
the time of profound peace, when its revenues were considerably en-  
creased, owing to a wanton profusion of the public money, by the e-  
rections of useless places, unnecessary boards, improvident grants, pen-  
sions, King's letters, additional salaries, and officers, superfluous govern-  
ments, and bad management in collecting of the national revenues,  
which evils demand a speedy and effectual redress.

1st clause. Be it enacted by the King's Most Excellent Majesty, by  
and with the advice and consent of the Lords spiritual and temporal,  
in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, that from  
and after the day of next, the salary and perquisites of  
every employment grantable by the Crown, whose office is executed by  
a deputy, shall be paid (deducting what such deputy bona fide receives)  
into his Majesty's treasury, and applied in discharge of the national  
debt, and for the service of the public.

2d. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from  
and after the day of next, the Barrack and Impost Boards,  
the Stamp-Office, and all additional offices and boards, with the sa-  
laries, charges, and expences incidental thereto, which had not existence  
in the year 1760, be discontinued.

3d. Be it further enacted by the authority aforesaid, That from  
and after the day of next, the pension list be reduced to, and  
shall never exceed the sum of 20,000 l. per annum, and that none but  
the blood royal, and persons of approved merit worn out in the service  
of their country, or who succeed to high titles and honours, without  
either by suitable means to support them, shall hereafter be put upon  
that list; and that the King's letters shall not exceed the annual sum  
of 10,000 l. and that only upon the address, and sanctioned by Parlia-  
ment; and that the concordatum money be limited to 1000 l. per an-  
num; and all civil and military contingencies and charges, under the  
head of incidents, shall not exceed together the annual sum of 6000 l.

4th. Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That for the  
collection of the public revenue, or other national funds, no more than  
5 per cent. be allowed on all sums actually paid into the Treasury; and  
that such offices, whose emoluments arise from fees, pells, poundage,  
or perquisites, shall not exceed the annual sum of 200 l. all surpluses to  
be applied to the public service.

5th. Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That all  
governors and constables of dismantled, useless castles or forts, where  
garrison duty is not regularly performed, and which are not in a pro-  
per state of defence, and reduded on, be discontinued.

6th. Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That in or-  
der to reduce the expences of the army, and the half-pay list, and to  
create a fund for a naval and marine force, the military establishment  
shall, in time of peace, consist of 5000 effective men, and in time of  
war be augmented to 10,000; and that such posts as become vacant by  
death or resignation, shall be filled up by officers on half-pay; and that  
no charges be allowed for non-effective or paper-men, and that the ex-  
pences of the staff be limited to 5000 l. per annum, and the expences of  
the ordnance to 8000 l. per annum, the provisions of this clause to take  
place from the day of next.

7th. Be it further enacted, by the authority aforesaid, That the sa-  
laries and emoluments of office of persons who go or reside out of this  
kingdom, be (during their absence) stopped and applied to the use of  
the public, and that this act be made perpetual.

PRICES OF CORN AT CORN EXCHANGE, JULY 29.  
Wheat, 38 s. a 55 s.  
Fine ditto.  
Rye, 18 s. a 22 s.  
Oats, 13 s. a 18 s.  
Barley, 16 s. a 19 s.  
Malt, 26 s. a 29 s. 6 d.  
Grey Pease, 18 s. a 21 s.  
White ditto, 24 s. 26 s.

Boiling ditto, 28 s.  
Tick Beans, 19 s. a 22 s.  
Small ditto, 23 s. a 25 s.  
Tares, 20 s. a 26 s.  
Fine Flour, 42 s.  
Second Sort, 40 s.  
Rape Seed, — per last.



From the London Papers, August 1.

## L O N D O N.

We have the satisfaction of informing the public from un- doubted authority, that a letter is in town from a member of Congress, bringing the agreeable intelligence that Capt. Asgill, who it was feared was doomed to suffer death, by way of retaliation, was, by the immediate interference of that venerable body, to be proceeded no farther against. We communicate this event with additional pleasure, as we hope, that if this abominable war is to continue, and the known sentiments of the present minister give the strongest reasons for such an apprehension, it will operate as the prelude to the general adoption of those principles of humanity, which polished nations have introduced to lessen the hardships, and abate the horrors too often attendant upon hostilities between nations. *Eng. Chron.*

Yesterday an express arrived at the Admiralty from the Downs, with advice of the arrival of the *Ruffel* of 74 guns, and the *Intrepid* of 64, with the *William* and *Charlotte*, *Lindsey*; the *Kingston*, *Aitkin*; the *Betty*, *Rogers*; and upwards of 30 sail more of the Jamaica fleet.

When the *Lion* cutter sailed from Port Royal, Jamaica, the following ships were lying there:

Ships.	Guns.	Ships.	Guns.
Ville de Paris	80	Warrior	74
Barfleur	90	Alcide	74
Namur	90	Arrogant	74
Duke	90	Marborough	74
Formidable	90	Ramilles	74
Prince George	90	Invincible	74
Alfred	74	Shrewsbury	74
Montague	74	Chateaux	74
Valiant	74	Hector	74
Monarch	74	Ardent	64
Centaur	74	Caton	64
Magnificent	74	Jafon	64
Bedford	74	Yarmouth	64
Ajax	74	Belliqueux	64
Canada	74	Prince William	64
Resolution	74	Republique	64
Hercules	74	St Alban's	64
Fame	74	Agamemnon	64
Torbay	74	America	64
Princessa	70	Anson	64
Conqueror	74	Nonpareil	64

The following were cruising under Real Admiral Rowley, in the Windward Passage:

The London of	90 guns
Royal Oak	74
Prothee	64

Yesterday the following ships from Jamaica arrived at Deal, and immediately sailed for the River, viz.

Peggy; Annot; Dalling, Kaye; Daniel, Johnson; Four Sisters; Sarnam; Phillipina, Bolton; Maries, Hoar; Adventure, Muir; Susanna, Stuart; Salisbury, Rulden; William and Charlotte; Lindsey; Rodney, Blackburne; Ann, Russell; Kingston; Aitkins; John, Davies; ———, Conroy; Jupiter, Barnwell; Mary, Throgmorton; and about eighteen others, names not known.

There are some of the West-Indians so deeply laden that they must wait the high tides, which fall out next week, in order to come over the Flats from Morgate.

A private letter from Portsmouth mentions, that the Comte de Grasse landed there on Tuesday evening from the Sandwich man of war, amidst the acclamations of several hundred spectators. He is lodged at the Commissioner's House till an order arrives for bringing him to town. The Count will not be confined in the tower, as has been reported, but will have his parole. He is somewhat taller than Lord Rodney, but so like him in person, that if dressed in the same uniform, they might easily be mistaken for each other.

By a letter from an officer on board the Sandwich man of war, we learn, that on the 26th ult. off Scilly, they fell in with seven line of battle ships and three frigates, which were going to reinforce Lord Howe. They accompanied Sir Peter Parker with the trade as far as the Lizard, and then proceeded in quest of the Channel fleet. A vessel, which had separated from the convoy on the passage, joined the fleet in the Channel, and gave information that on the 24th he spoke with Admiral Lord Howe's Squadron, in lat. 50—40, about 60 leagues to the westward of Cape Clear, and a frigate off Scilly came into the fleet, and informed Sir Peter Parker that she had seen the combined fleets the preceding day.

It appears clear, from the conduct of the French fleet, that they were sent out to protect their own homeward-bound West India fleet, consisting of about 260 ships, and not to intercept ours, as immediately upon their convoy's arriving safe, they returned into port.

It is said, that as the Jamaica fleet is safe arrived, Lord Howe will proceed to the relief of Gibraltar. The crews of the three ships of the line that are come home with Sir Peter Parker are to be immediately turned over to the ships that have been some time out of dock, and in want of hands.

The Jamaica fleet had a very narrow escape from being captured near Scilly; the combined fleets were within eight leagues of them, but they were so wrapped up in a thick fog, that they passed them undiscovered: a frigate informed Admiral Parker of his danger, who pushed for the channel, where he happily arrived with his whole fleet, one vessel only being missing, which was burnt on her passage.

The Unicorn frigate of 20 guns, is arrived at Portsmouth from Jamaica; but as she failed before the sloop of war arrived a few days since, she brings nothing new from that quarter.

It was this day reported of Change that the combined fleets are now in Brest, victualing and watering for the remainder of their cruise.

Lord Howe is expected to return in three or four days, preparations being made for that purpose. He is to sail again, for the relief of Gibraltar, in about a fortnight, by which time the second Jamaica fleet, as well as that from the Leeward Islands, will be on our coasts, and after giving them the necessary protection, his object will be to fight the enemy, and succour that important fortress; which, as he will then have 37 sail of the line, there can be no doubt of his effecting.

The Eagle, Larocfield, from Montserrat, is arrived at Dover after a passage of 44 days. She brings word, that the fleet was to sail from Antigua on the 17th of June, two days after the Eagle left the island; that the dispute at St Christopher's, about a privateer having cut out two American vessels there, was in a fair way of being amicably settled; and it was reported at Montserrat, that the Governor had consented that the English ships should sail for Antigua to join the convoy, as all the other vessels had done from the other islands, agreeable to articles of capitulation. The French in general behave exceed-

ing well to the English planters, though they were terribly chagrined at the defeat of Count De Grasse, and expressed some displeasure at the imprudent zeal of two or three people who held a public rejoicing on the occasion, which gave such offence to the Governors, and obliged them to take notice of their conduct. These letters add, that the French had been indefatigable in fortifying St Christopher's and Montserrat, the former of which was deemed impregnable; but that Nevis was in so defenceless a state, that it must be at the disposal of the power which should be master at sea.

On Tuesday evening a gentleman arrived in town from Portsmouth, by whom we are informed, that Admiral Sir Peter Parker and his lady landed that morning at Portsmouth from on board the Sandwich; but that Admiral De Grasse, on account of the multitudes who flocked to see him, was put on shore at Gosport, and last night the Comte arrived at Nevot's hotel, near St James's-Square.

A Russian agent is gone down to Portsmouth, to provide provisions and other necessities for a fleet of that nation, consisting of seven men of war, daily expected from the north.

It was yesterday morning reported, that intelligence is received, that the insurrection in South America had arisen to a height that left not the smallest prospect of the tumult being quelled by the power of the Spaniards, from whose tyrannous yoke the natives had irrevocably determined to rescue themselves.

The army now marching against the Province of La Plata, has got within 30 days march of Buenos Ayres, and sent to the Vice-Roy to quit that place before they drive him into the sea. No quarters are given to the Spaniards found in arms. Spain is not in possession of any principal mine in all South America. It was supposed the most capital port in Peru, named Callus de Lima, was then besieged; should that fall, they will be wholly driven out. The new Emperor, it is said, wishes to make the river Plata his boundary with Portugal, and open a trade with England. His principal Secretary is a Portuguese.

A Spanish ship of 600 tons, richly laden, with several chests of dollars on board, bound to Cadiz, is taken by two of his Majesty's cruisers, and carried into Kingston in Jamaica. Soon after, an attempt was made to set her on fire; but a discovery was made just time enough to prevent it.

Advice is received from Cadiz, by way of France, that two Spanish men of war, of 74 guns each, were set on fire by lightning, as they lay in the harbour of Alicante, and were burnt down to the water's edge, and ten men, endeavouring to extinguish the fire, perished.

According to letters from Bombay, a mortality among the Maharratta forces, which had been so violent as to leave their chiefs scarce forces sufficient to bring an array into the field, had very much forwarded a cessation of hostilities, a truce being now concluded for five years.

Yesterday the Court of Directors elected Sir Henry Fletcher, Bart. Chairman of the East India Company, in the room of Robert Gregory, Esq; who, we are sorry to inform the public, has, from his bad state of health, been under the disagreeable necessity of quitting the East India Direction.

Mr Child, by his will, has left 6000l. a year to his widow, and 2000l. a year to Lady Westmoreland; likewise 12,000l. a piece to each of her Ladyship's younger children, down to the twelfth, except the second, to whom he has left the residue of his fortune, which it is imagined will be nearly equal to that particularly devised.

### Extract of a letter from Paris, July 22.

"You seem to be just as little informed in London of the true state of our Cabinet, as if Paris and London were as distant from each other as Rome and Pekin. You entertain an idea that all the able men in this country are averse to the war in which they are at present engaged, and that nevertheless they are induced to countenance and pursue it, in mere compliment to the wishes of the Queen, whom your countrymen have thought proper to place under the influence of a rooted antipathy to the English nation, though no reason whatever exists that could inspire her with any other sentiments for England than those of love, respect, and gratitude, for the manly support her family found from the people of that country; nor indeed is it consistent with common sense that an amiable young woman, as remarkable for humanity as for beauty, should delight in war, which must wring every feeling of humanity. The truth is, that the Queen mixes as little in politics as your Queen does; and if she were to do otherwise, the King has never yet shown himself an uxorious husband; he is master of his family, as well as King of France. The soul of the present war is the Comte de Provence, his Majesty's brother, whose confidence is engrossed by the Dukes de Choiseul and Praslin, the two famous Ministers, who continued the last war with uncommon spirit, struggling against the greatest torrent of bad fortune. The navy of Britain was the instrument of French humiliation; and these Ministers felt, and still feel, that while that navy remained superior to the united force of Bourbon, the trade and foreign possessions of France could never be secure. But indeed these two able statesmen are not the only persons who think the same; almost the whole Cabinet, nay, almost all France, think so too, except the Comptroller des Finances, or Chancellor of the Exchequer, whose wits for finding money to prosecute the war are almost at an end. The French did not enter into the war from motives of hatred or revenge; from motives of selfishness or ambition; the war is truly a war of policy. It was policy alone that induced the French to enter into it; and you may rest satisfied that they never will put an end to it, as long as they have means to carry it on, until the end of this policy is obtained. To weaken the naval power of England, and take from her the power of giving laws upon the ocean, were the great ends that France had in view. These ends once attained, she sheaths the sword, but not before; nor can any argument in the world, except such as Rodney used in the West Indies, dissuade her from her purpose. Your famous *defenda est Carthago* was never more frequently, or more determinedly applied to France, than it is now applied to England by every Frenchman; you may hear it in every coffee-house; you may read it in every Gazette. In a word, believe me, when I assure you, that this is not the Queen's war, the King's war, or the war of any one man, or set of men; it is, *bona fide*, the war of the whole nation; and, depend upon it, there are but two ways for putting an end to it—the one by the submission of the English to the law of the conqueror; the other, by a series of victories gained by the English, which may turn the tables upon France, and reduce her to the necessity of suing for peace, by rendering it impossible for her to attain the only end she had in view for undertaking the war."

## PRICE OF STOCKS, Aug 1.

Bank Stock —	Ditto New Ann. —
4 per cent. Ann. 1777, 71½	Ditto 1751, —
3½ per cent. 1758, 71½	India Stock, —
3 per cent. con. 1758, 56½ a 2½ ex	3 per cent. Ann. —
div.	India Bonds, —
3 per cent. red. 57½	Exch. Bills, —
3 per cent. 1726, —	Navy Bills, 11 disc.
Long Ann. 16 9-16ths	Lot. Tick. 15 l. 15 s.
Short Ann. 1778, 12½ a 9-16ths	3 per cent. Scrip. 57½ a 2½
South Sea Stock, —	4 per cent. Scrip. —
3 per cent. Old Ann. —	Omnium, —

WIND AT DEAL,  
JULY 30. E. N. E.

## EDINBURGH.

[The London Post did not arrive this afternoon, till a quarter after four o'clock.]

### Extract of a letter from London, Aug. 1.

"Eight of the ships of war lately sailed from the Texel are to proceed to the East Indies, with orders to co-operate with M. Suffrein. These measures require the most serious and immediate attention of government, otherwise our possessions in the east will soon be in a very precarious situation, if not entirely lost.

"As soon as it was known that the Dutch had put to sea, and that eight of their capital ships were intended for India, it is said that positive orders were dispatched to Lord Howe to use every endeavour to intercept them, so far as might be consistent with the other objects of his cruise. As therefore it seems more than probable that the combined fleets have gone to port, we may naturally conclude that his Lordship's remaining still at sea with his whole fleet, is with a view to execute those instructions."

Alexander Scott of Sinton, Esq; died at Sinton on 29th July last. It is hoped his friends and relations will accept of this notification of his death.

On Saturday last, died here, the Honourable Charles Boyd, brother to the late Earl of Errol.

An imperfect account having appeared in our paper of Saturday last, of the trial and determination in the Court of Exchequer in the great question between the Distillers of this country, and the Excise Officers; we are desired, by a correspondent, to mention, that the jury (which was special) unanimously returned a verdict, agreeably to the opinion of the judges, for the defendants (the Officers of Excise) on the first count of the declaration; and for the plaintiff (the Distiller) on the four remaining ones, with one shilling damages; by which decision the following points are established: That the Officers of Excise have, by law, a right to take account of the strength, as well as of the quantity and quality of British spirits in the stock of a Distiller for home consumption; — to use the hydrometer for that purpose; and to enter in their stock-books the strength of such spirits, as found by the hydrometer: But that they have no right to seize spirits in a Distiller's stock, merely for being found of a stronger, or weaker quality, by the hydrometer, than appeared on their preceding survey: That they are bound, on demand, to give Distillers permits for removing British spirits, part of their stocks, signifying the quantity and kind of spirit only; and that they have no right to insert, add, or indorse on such permits, the particular strength of the spirits; or to seize spirits removing, or removed, with permit, because they are found by the hydrometer of a different strength from what is expressed in such addition, or indorsement; or because it has been cancelled and defaced by the trader.

## IRISH INTELLIGENCE.

Dublin-Castle, July 29, 1782.

"My Lord, I have my Lord Lieutenant's commands to acquaint your Lordship, that letters have been just received from Cork, giving an account of the arrival in that harbour of the New Ceres, Wm. Martin master, from Jamaica; the master reported that he sailed from Jamaica the 20th of May last, under convoy of Sir Peter Parker in the Sandwich, the *Intrepid* of 64 guns, the *Ruffel* 74, *Lowestoffe* 36, *Pomona* 32, and the *Alert* brig; that on the 17th instant, the Ceres, and about 40 merchantmen, were put under the care of the *Pomona*, and left the Admiral, and the remainder of the fleet, for London, pointing to the southward, with a steady breeze at E. N. E. The Ceres parted the *Pomona* the 25th instant, at ten o'clock in the morning.

"The master also reports, that the day Admiral Parker sailed from Jamaica, Admiral Rowley was sent in the London to relieve Admiral Hood, supposed to be cruising in the Mona passage; and there remained at Port-Royal, Lord Rodney and twenty-five sail of the line, six of them French prizes. The *Intrepid*, in her passage through the Gulph, took a Spanish vessel, one of a small fleet from the Havannah for France, under convoy of some disabled ships of war.

I have the honour to be,

My Lord,

Your Lordship's most obedient servant,  
R. FITZPATRICK."

Right Hon. the Lord Mayor.

The Commissioners of his Majesty's revenue, Dublin, received the following letter from Cork, dated 26th of July 1782.

"I this morning received advice from sea, that 12 sail of the Jamaica fleet, for Bristol and Liverpool, under convoy of the *Pomona* frigate, passed by this harbour this morning; that they parted Sir Peter Parker, in the Sandwich, five days ago, lat. 49. 30. N. lon. 17 W. with the *Intrepid* and *Ruffel*, and 40 sail of merchantmen; that when she sailed from Jamaica, the trade in her care consisted of 140 sail, the missing ships having parted in a gale of wind; the master of the merchantmen from whom the above intelligence was had, reported, that when the fleet sailed from Port-Royal, there remained there 40 sail of the line, and that De Grasse is on board the Sandwich."

### Extract of a letter from Dublin, July 30.

"A gentleman who came passenger last week from Lisbon, via Cork, says, he passed early last Sunday se'night [21st inst.] through the combined fleet, then, by the master of the vessel's computation, for they could not discover land, about fifteen leagues S. W. of Scilly; he thinks there might be about 40 large ships: the fine evening he fell in with the British fleet, becalmed off the Head of Kinsale, in a long line stretching to the westward. The vessel he was in (a Portuguese) was brought to by a Spanish armed polacre, and the papers examined; the English took no notice of him. This is the most recent account of the fleets as yet come to hand."

"Should the announcement of Mr Grenville to the Secretaryship of this kingdom, with his brother Lord Temple as Secretary, turn out a fact, the circumstance of two brothers being at



# NOTICE to Mr ORR's CREDITORS.

THE Creditors of the deceased ALEXANDER ORR Writer to the Signet, or their doers, are requested to meet in the Exchange Coffeehouse upon Wednesday next, the 7th inst. at one o'clock, when matters of importance will be laid before them.

Such persons as cannot attend, may apply for information to John Tait junior writer to the signet.

## CUSTOM-HOUSE, EDINBURGH, August 1. 1782.

BY an Act passed in the last session of Parliament, chapter 73d, it is, amongst other things, enacted, "That all and every person or persons whatsoever, having in his, her, or their custody or possession, any TOBACCO of the growth or production of Scotland, shall, before the 20th day of August 1782, give or send notice in writing, under his, her, or their hand or hands, to the Collector and Comptroller of his Majesty's Customs, at the Custom-house in Scotland nearest to the place where such tobacco shall be lodged, a just and true account upon oath, (which oath such Collector and Comptroller of the Customs are thereby authorised and required to administer) of the quantity of such tobacco that such person or persons shall then have in his, her, or their custody or possession; and at the same time shall enter with and pay to such Collector and Comptroller the like duties for such tobacco as are then due and payable upon the importation of tobacco of the growth and produce of the British Colonies or Plantations in America: And the like account shall in like manner be given or sent, and the like duties paid, for all Tobacco that shall have been planted before the passing of this act, and may be now growing in Scotland: Which last-mentioned account shall be sent, and the duties paid, within three calendar months after such tobacco shall be gathered, on forfeiture of all such tobacco as shall be found unentered after the respective times hereby before limited."—And it is thereby further enacted, "That such tobacco shall not be carried or removed from Scotland into any part of England by land-carriage, upon forfeiture thereof, together with the horses, cattle, and carriages, made use of in the removing, carriage, or conveyance of the same."

THE COMMISSIONERS of HIS MAJESTY'S CUSTOMS give this public notice of the foregoing directions of the said act, that none may pretend ignorance thereof.

## A MEETING OF SCOTS TOBACCO PLANTERS.

A TOBACCO PLANTER in Scotland desires to know the sense of his Brother Planters, on the subject of a late act of Parliament, relative to Tobacco the growth of Scotland.

And as it may not be convenient for all the Planters to meet immediately at Edinburgh, it is wished that all in the neighbourhood of Kilsyth, would meet at the Cross Keys there on Friday next, at one o'clock, to consider of the most proper steps that can be taken to avert the ruin of many who have innocently engaged in the culture of tobacco, at a time when no law prohibited the same; and now the whole crop so planted becomes subjected to a duty that can be made appear is greater than the average crops of tobacco hitherto raised and sold in Scotland by one half.

Edinburgh, August 5. 1782.

By Order of the Honourable COMMISSIONERS of his MAJESTY'S CUSTOMS, THERE are to be exposed to public roup and sale, at the Custom-houses of the ports after mentioned, at twelve o'clock noon each day,

A Parcel of AQUAVITE, and TWO SLOOPS, lately condemned in his Majesty's Court of Exchequer.

Prestonpans, Wednesday, 7th August 1782—59 Gallons Aquavite.

Kirkcaldy, Thursday, 8th August 1782—The Sloop BETSEY of Kirkcaldy, burden 31 tons.

Aberdeen, Saturday, 10th August 1782—The Sloop JANET of Down, about 30 tons burden.

## JUDICIAL SALE, BY ADJOURNMENT. Upset Prices Reduced. L. 4060 Sterling.

TO be SOLD, by authority of the Lords of Council and Session, upon Tuesday the 26th day of November next, betwixt the hours of four and eight afternoon, within the Parliament House.

The Remaining SUBJECTS belonging to GEORGE CHALMERS of Pittencrieff, as more fully described in former advertisements.

### LOT I.

The LANDS of LUSCAR, CLUNE, and GOWKHALL formerly separate estates, the proven rent of which is 416 l. 12 s. 6 d. with seven small inclosures, partly tithes, containing about 93 acres of the lands of Blackburn of Pittencrieff, in order to square the marches of both estates, and to hold bleich of the proprietor of Pittencrieff, the free rent of which is 102 l. 3 s. 6 d. making together 518 l. 10 s. (but exclusive of the collieries and iron-stone, except as and under the conditions mentioned for Lot III.) the former proven value of which was, L. 11565 0 0

A Parcel of grown Wood hedge-rows, and about fifty acres of plantations, nineteen years old, valued three years ago, including the land which they occupy, at L. 1757 0 0

Former upset-price of Lot I. L. 13318 0 0

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 12000 0 0

### LOT II.

The LANDS and Barony of PITTCRIEFF, other than the ninety-three acres, contained in the above Lot, with various acres, houses, yards, mills, and feu-duties in and about the town and Abbey of Dunfermline; proven free rent (exclusive of the collieries and iron-stone, in a small part of the lands, and under the conditions mentioned for Lot III.) about 989 l. 8 s. 2 d. of which for mills, houses, and yards 177 l. and were formerly valued together at L. 19924 9 7

Contabulary and Bailie-houses in the Abbey of Dunfermline, with a large area, valued at L. 150 0 0

Grounds for building and feuing, valued at L. 1040 0 0

Wood upon this lot valued about three years ago at L. 831 10 4

Privilege of purchasing tithes of back-acres, L. 5 14 7

Former upset-price of Lot II. L. 21951 14 6

To be exposed to sale now at the reduced price of L. 20200 0 0

The great beauty and conveniences of these two estates, lying in the vicinity of Dunfermline, are well known; and a considerable advance of rents may be expected, how soon the collieries are set properly a-going. There is no value put upon a substantial convenient mansion-house on Pittencrieff, nor on a complete set of new elegant office-houses, pigeon-hole, and fruit-wall, which have lately cost above 1200 l. nor on the reserved coal and iron-stone in about 230 acres of the lands. The estate of Luscar has a separate freehold qualification, on which the proprietor is inrolled, and the value of Pittencrieff is nearly equal to three qualifications. The land-tax, and other consequential burdens are remarkably low on both estates.

### LOT III.

The whole COAL and IRON-STONE under the lands contained in the above two lots, and the Coal under the lands of Wester Baldrige, (excepting 30 fathoms under and around the mansion-house thereof, and excepting the coal and iron-stone in about 230 acres round the house of Pittencrieff, as delineated on the plan of the estates; and also excepting 10 acres round the house of Clune, and 10 acres round the mansion-house of Luscar, as by the feu charter thereof; and also excepting the coals under the lands of Mounthooly, which belong to Robert Wedwood of Garroch, Esq.) with all the usual privileges as to working, colliers-houses, roads, levels, and assignment to all contracts for the same, and sales of coals, as more fully contained in former advertisements, and the articles of sale.

Also, with the Harbour of Bruchavon, Coal folds, Warehouses, and other Buildings, the adjoining Farm of WESTER-ROSYTH, containing about 64 Scots acres; the proven rental of which farms, free of all deductions and of land tax, is 541 l. 13 s. 7 d. together with the benefit of the tack of Windylaw, of which there are 26 years to run, and

of the minister of Inverkeithing's glebe during his incumbency; both adjoining to Wester Rosyth.

The proven value of this Lot is, L. 5000 0 0

The collieries and iron stone, L. 1422 18 10

Farm of Wester Rosyth, L. 100 0 0

Together, and at which it was formerly set up, L. 6522 18 10

To be exposed to sale now at the reduced price of L. 5800 0 0

These collieries are known to contain inexhaustible quantities of different kinds of coal, of the best qualities, and as more particularly described in former advertisements. They can be wrought for the most part by a level, which has been carried up at a very great expence, and can have a convenient wagon-way made for transporting them to sea. The surface of the coal-grounds, including the estate of Wester Baldrige, and some large feus, is 1000 acres or thereabouts. There is 18 feet water at ordinary spring tides in the harbour, and the depth may be increased by extending the pier, which has stone quarries just by it.

### LOT IV.

The following PARCELS of the Lands of HERMITAGE, in the parish of South Leith, viz.

1. Robert Watt's late feu, consisting of about 3 acres 26 falls, and on which there are several new houses built; gross rent 23 l. 14 s. 9 d.; feu-duty to the Trinity Hospital, valuing barley at 12 s. 6 d. per boll, 5 l. 1 s. 3 d.; free rent 18 l. 13 s. 5 d.

Proven value of this parcel, and at which it was set up formerly, L. 280

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 250

2. James Allison's late feu, a Garden, with a large new house thereon, containing about 4 acres, 1 rood, 6 1/2 falls; gross rent 34 l. 10 s. 3 d.; feu-duty, converting the barley as above, 7 l. 7 s. 3 d. free rent 27 l. 2 s. 10 d.

The proven value, and at which it was set up formerly, L. 420

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 365

3. William Wright's feu, a nursery containing five acres; gross rent 26 l. 5 s.; feu-duty 5 l. 12 s. 1 d.; free rent 20 l. 12 s. 11 d.

Proven value at which it was set up formerly, L. 350

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 310

N. B. There is a very copious spring of water in the center of this lot.

4. Robert Wilson's feu, with houses thereon, containing four acres; gross rent 22 l.; feu-duty 4 l. 13 s. 11 d.; free rent 17 l. 6 s.

Proven value, and at which it was set up formerly, L. 276

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 235

5. Peter Stephen's late feu, and a house thereon, (which lets at 4 l.) containing four acres; gross rent 22 l.; feu-duty for two of the acres to the Earl of Moray, 6 s. sterling, and to the hospital 4 l. 13 s. 5 d.; free rent 17 l. 6 s.

Proven value, and at which it was set up formerly, L. 285

To be exposed at the reduced price of L. 240

A mutual high wall with Hawkhill is the fourth march of the two last feus.

### LOT V.

A TACK of the Farm of HILTON, in the barony of Rosyth and county of Fife, for 25 years after Martinmas 1782, for which there is payable, over and above the rent to the Earl of Hopeton the proprietor, 15 l. annually to Mr Chalmers, by the obligation of Messrs. Abraham Newton of Curriehill, and John Newton his eldest son, possessors of the farm.

Proven value, and at which it was set up formerly, L. 230

To be exposed now at the reduced price of L. 170

### LOT VI.

A TACK of the Lands and Estate of BANTASKINE, lying in the parish of Falkirk and shire of Stirling, of which there are nine years to run after Martinmas 1782; and there is a considerable over rent by sub-fetting. The proprietor is also obliged to pay to the tenant, at the expiration of the lease, for the inclosing and subdividing the whole lands, which, excepting a few acres round the mansion-house, has been all done during the currency of the tack; and also to pay for a new stead-ing of houses, and a proportion of some plantations, as all these may be valued at the expiration of the said lease.

This lot was formerly set up at L. 400

To be exposed now, in respect the lease is shorter, and the rent of the lands has fallen, at the reduced price of L. 300

The title-deeds, rentals, and plans of the estates, with the articles and conditions of sale, will be seen in the hands of Messrs. John Callender depute-clerk of session, and William Anderson clerk to the signet.

Adam Paterson, overseer upon the estate at Dunfermline, will show the premises in Fife-shire; and Alexander Marr, gardener on the south side of Leith Links, those at Hermitage.

## JUDICIAL SALE

OF THE ESTATES OF KILSYTH AND LEUCHARS, PARTS OF THE YORK BUILDING COMPANY'S ESTATES.

TO be SOLD by authority of the Lords of Council and Session, within the Parliament-house, on Wednesday the 7th day of August current, at five o'clock afternoon.

The Lands, Lordship, and Estate of KILSYTH, lying in the counties of Stirling and Dumfries, all in one lot.—This estate was, in 1727, let by the York Building Company to Mr Campbell of Shawfield, for 99 years, at 500 l. per annum.—The lands measure about 7838 acres. The superiorities of the estate will give the purchaser considerable parliamentary influence in the counties of Stirling and Dumfries. The upset price is only 12,500 l. being 25 years purchase of said tack-duty.

ALSO, at the same time and place, by adjournment, The Lands, Lordship, and estate of LEUCHARS, lying in the county of Fife, in three lots.

ACRES. Free Rent. Upset Price

Lot A. R. F. Sterling. Sterling.

I. 370 0 0 L. 76 13 0 1/2 L. 1762 19 11 1/2

II. 500 0 0 L. 123 10 0 1/2 L. 2840 11 5 1/2

III. 3724 0 0 L. 537 16 4 1/2 L. 12369 16 11 1/2

Totals, 737 19 5 1/2 L. 16973 8 4 1/2

The upset prices of the Lots of this Estate are stated at twenty-three years purchase of the free rent, without any addition on account of the grasslands, rating the victual, the wheat at 13 s. 4 d. the bear and oats at 8 s. 4 d. and the meal at 10 s. 6 d.

Printed copies of the particulars of the rental, and of the different Lots of these two estates, with copies of the proposed articles of sale, may be had from Alexander Mackenzie writer to the signet; and plans of the estates, distinguishing the lots, may be seen in his hands, or in the hands of Keith Dunbar depute-clerk of session, clerk to the sale.

## SALE of the LANDS of ALDERSTON, BY ADJOURNMENT.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffee-house, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 8th August 1782, between the hours of five and six afternoon.

The Lands and Barony of ALDERSTON, lying within the parish of Mid-Calder and county of Edinburgh, consisting of about 660 Scots acres, mostly inclosed, and divided by hedge and ditch, and belts of plantings. The free yearly rent is about 350 l. Sterling.

There is a good mansion-house upon the estate, with suitable garden and offices, pleasantly situated within two miles of Mid-Calder, a good market town, and 15 miles from Edinburgh, on the Glasgow road.—There is a good lime-quarry in the middle of the estate, within two miles of coal.

The Lands entitle the proprietor to a freehold qualification in the county of Edinburgh; and, for the encouragement of purchasers, will be exposed at 7000 l. sterling.

The title-deeds, articles of roup, and plan of the lands to be seen in the hands of John Hay, accountant in Edinburgh; or John Gordon, jun. writer to the signet.

## A Shop and Dwelling-House to Let, &c.

TO be LET, and entered to immediately, that commodious SHOP and BACK SHOP, with the Dwelling-house adjacent thereto, situated on the south side of the High-street of Edinburgh, immediately below the Fountain Close, and presently possessed by Daniel Forbes merchant.

The House and Shop will be let together, or separately.—For further particulars apply to John Tawle writer in Edinburgh.

Nota, The WHOLE GOODS in the said Shop, consisting of Groceries of all kinds, together with the Household and Shop Furniture, are to be sold by public roup, upon Thursday next the 8th August current. The roup to begin at ten o'clock forenoon, and continue till the whole is sold.

## SALE OF LANDS IN EDINBURGH-SHIRE.

TO be SOLD by public roup in the Exchange coffeehouse, Edinburgh, on Wednesday the 7th day of August current, between five and six o'clock afternoon, The Lands of REDHALL, lying in the parish of Fala, and shire of Edinburgh, fifteen miles south from Edinburgh, on the great road to Newcastle, and within eight miles of Haddington and Dalkeith.

The lands consist of about 168 acres English measure; are pleasantly situated, inclosed, and subdivided into parks of proper sizes, all well watered and sheltered, and at present wholly in grass.

There is a very genteel mansion-house on the lands, lately built, and well finished, consisting of a large parlour, drawing-room, dining-room, and six bed-chambers, besides several good garret apartments, and kitchen, with other conveniences, in the under storey; and a set of convenient offices, and pigeon-house, all in good repair.

There is likewise a good deal of thriving planting and policy on this estate, of which a considerable quantity may be immediately cut without hurting the place.

When last let in tack, the rent was 160 l. Sterling.

The lands hold of the town of Edinburgh for payment of a feu-duty of 30 l. Scots.

John Weir at Redhall will show the estate.—For further particulars enquire at John Moir writer to the signet, Edinburgh.

## SALE OF LANDS IN FIFE, BY ADJOURNMENT—UPSET PRICES REDUCED.

TO be SOLD by public voluntary roup within the Exchange coffee-house, Edinburgh, upon Thursday the 8th day of August current, between the hours of five and six afternoon.

The Lands of MIDDLEMILN and LOCHMALONY, lying within the parish of Kilmarnock, and county of Fife. These lands lie within three miles of Cupar, the great market town of the county, and the like distance from the sea-ports of Balmerino and Woodhaven; are mostly arable, and of excellent quality. The greatest part of them are inclosed and subdivided with hedges and stone dykes; and twenty-two acres are planted with wood, which is in a very thriving condition.

There is a neat mansion-house lately built on the lands of Middlemiln, with a complete set of offices in good condition, and a large garden. The lands hold of the Crown; and afford a qualification to vote for a member of Parliament. Before the present proprietor took part in the Lands into his natural possession about three years ago, the free rent was 146 l. Sterling; but as he has much improved that part in his possession, it is thought the lands, upon a new lease, would bring 160 l. of yearly rents. The whole will be let up so low as 2500 l.

If the lands do not fall in one lot, they will be exposed in the two following, at the prices after mentioned.

I. The Lands of MIDDLEMILN, with the mansion-house and Garden, &c. at 1470 l. And,

II. The Lands of LOCHMALONY, with the Superiority of both, at 1050 l.

For further particulars, apply to James Stark writer in Cupar, or to George Tod writer in Edinburgh, in whose hands the progress of writs and articles of roup may be seen.

## SALE OF LANDS IN STIRLINGSHIRE, AND HOUSE IN EDINBURGH.

TO be SOLD by voluntary roup, within the Exchange Coffeehouse, Edinburgh, upon Friday the 9th of August current, between the hours of five and six afternoon, in the following Lots, viz.

### LOT I.

The LANDS of WOODSIDE, and Part of the Barony of TORWOODHEAD, lying south and east of the Torwood, as described in the title-deeds, with the tithes, parkage and vicarage thereof; with the mansion-house, called Dunbar-hill, offices, garden, orchard, pigeon-cot, and whole parts, pendicles, and pertinents thereof. These lands are of a rich soil, low rented, and very improvable. The grounds around the house, consisting of about 150 acres (let from year to year for pasture) are all completely inclosed and subdivided, and the fences in good repair, and having been laid down rich, and lain long in grass, will produce heavy crops, and bring a high rent when broke up. There is coal on these lands, and a great deal of planting, consisting of oak, ash, elm, beech, and other forest trees, in the most thriving condition, part of which are full grown.

The mansion-house and offices are in good order, and fit to accommodate a large family. The garden, orchard, and pleasure ground, are all well stocked with the very best kinds of fruit-trees and flowering shrubs. The situation is pleasant and commodious, being near the great turnpike road leading from Edinburgh to Stirling, within three miles of the river Forth, the like distance from Falkirk, and two miles from the Great Canal and harbour of Carron Shore, and commanding a most extensive prospect of that rich and highly cultivated country lying on both sides of the Forth. These lands hold partly of the Crown, and entitle the proprietor to a freehold qualification, and partly of subjects superior, for payment of small feu-duties. The free rent, after all deductions, is 412 l. 7 s. 2 1/2 d.

Lot II. The Lands and Barony of PLEAN, as described in the title-deeds, lying north of the Torwood, on both sides the turnpike road, with the tithes and pertinents.

These lands are extensive, and partly inclosed with stone-dykes, hedges, and stripes of planting, and very improvable. They abound in coal, lime, iron, and free stone. They march with the lands of Bannockburn on the west, and on boring, the same seam of coal that is now wrought on the Bannockburn estate, has been discovered in this, twenty fathoms below the surface.—This coal is four feet thick, and of an excellent quality; and there is a second seam below that, not so thick.

About the middle of the estate are two seams of coal of the same thickness, the crop of the upper one having been wrought from three to five fathoms below the surface; and as the ground declines to the east, it will be easy to drain this coal.

There are two oak coppice woods on this estate, of considerable extent, besides a good deal of planted trees, all completely inclosed with stone dykes so high as to defend from sheep. And as these woods are now ready for cutting, they will be sold this season. These lands afford two freehold qualifications. They will be exposed together, or in two divisions, as separated by the turnpike road, as purchasers shall incline. The free rent, after all deductions, is 468 l. 15 s. 4 d.; but considerable rises of rent are stipulated by the current tacks for crop 1783; and after crops.

The whole tenants of this estate pay their rent regularly; and very considerable rises will be got on the expiry of the current tacks.

Lot III. That Large LODGING on the west side of New-street, Canongate, presently possessed by Captain Church-hill, with the back ground thereto belonging, with a servitude on the area to the east of said street, that nothing shall be erected thereon beyond the height of the present parapet wall. This tenement was lately built and finished in the most substantial manner.

The progress of writs, conditions of sale, rentals, tacks, &c. are in the hands of James Stormonth writer in Edinburgh; and copies of the rentals, &c. are in the hands of James Henderson writer in Falkirk; to either of whom any person inclining a private bargain of any part of the subjects, may apply.

The gardener at Dunbar-house will show the grounds.